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## COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS.

Office of County Clerk,  
January 24, 1899.

Board of county commissioners met in regular session. Present: Chairman Dick, Commissioners Griffith and Merten, County Clerk Fitts and Sheriff Aber.

Minutes of meetings of October 3d to 11th, November 11th and 12th, and December 19th read and approved.

Board refunded half of the tax on the north half of lots 8 to 12 in block 77, Great Bend, tax 1898; also half of the tax on the south half of the same lots, rebated on account of erroneous assessment.

F. Rich of Beaver township was refunded tax on \$45 valuation on the northeast quarter of section 13 on account of erroneous assessment.

The Great Bend Water Supply Co. was refunded tax on \$600 valuation for 1898 on account of erroneous assessment.

M. Weiranch refunded tax of 1898 on \$165 valuation on 70 feet, east side of lots 10 and 15 in block—, Helzer Park addition.

Dr. J. F. Hess allowed a rebate on \$150 valuation on 23 feet of lots 21 to 24 in block 103, Great Bend, on account of erroneous assessment.

Quarterly reports of M. L. Harrison, county superintendent, C. F. Dillenbacher, county attorney, and L. P. Aber, sheriff, were received and filed.

The board accepted \$33.22 in compromise of all delinquent taxes on the north half of lot 18 in block 126, Great Bend, and \$23.22 on the south half of same, from C. S. Outler.

The following bonds of township and county officers were approved by the board, viz:

Jacob Ales, justice, Buffalo tp.  
J. A. Hogue, trustee, Liberty tp.  
G. W. Nuse, treasurer, Wheatland.  
H. C. Hull, constable, Homestead.  
J. C. Lytle, justice, Homestead.  
Henry Ashpole, justice, Homestead.  
W. L. Mitchell, clerk, Homestead.  
M. Lichter, constable, Eureka.  
C. W. Phillips, clerk, Eureka.  
A. B. Wilcutt, justice, Walnut.  
L. C. Breeden, probate judge.  
F. G. Strothman, clerk dist. court.  
John Bahr, treasurer, Walnut.  
Chas. Wolf, justice, Comanche.  
W. F. Klein, constable, Lakin.  
S. Gano was allowed a rebate of tax on a valuation of \$70 on lots in Grandview addition to Great Bend.

Charles Whitten was ordered released from county jail on payment of costs.

Sheriff Aber was directed to return Mrs. Teresa Jarmer to the insane asylum at Topeka, she having become violently insane.

W. G. Merritt was allowed a rebate of tax on \$200 valuation on creamery at Olmitz and amount charged to Peter Brack.

O. A. Smith was allowed a rebate of tax on \$167 valuation, personal property in Liberty township, on account of constitutional exemption.

The quarterly report of fees collected by County Clerk Fitts was approved. Gilmore & Moses were allowed a rebate on \$32 valuation in Buffalo township on account of double assessment.

A. C. Fair & Bro. having paid tax as personal property on judgements amounting to \$569, same was ordered cancelled on judgement assessment roll.

W. F. Klein resigned as constable of Lakin township and Geo. W. Logan was appointed to fill vacancy.

F. G. Strothman's report of fees as clerk of the district court was approved.

Laura Nevils was allowed to redeem lots 10, 11, and 12 in block 41, Great Bend, for \$8.87, tax of 1897-98.

Quarterly report of L. C. Breeden, probate judge, received, approved and placed on file.

D. Hugh Halladay and Frank Kappel, appointed to act with Probate Judge in examining the country treasury, made report showing balance cash on hand Jan. 2, 1899, \$132,243.23.

Report of Co. Treasurer of fees received during quarter received, approved and placed on file.

Ordered, that the McLean Land & Investment Co. be allowed to redeem their lands delinquent for tax of 1895, '96 and '97 on payment of full amount of taxes and interest to September 1, 1898.

The board proceeded to visit the County Poor Farm.

Board agrees to accept \$12 for all delinquent tax on lot 8, block 17, A. V. T. Co. addition to Great Bend, and the clerk directed to assign above property to Frank Hermon on payment of that amount.

Official bond of Geo. W. Logan constable of Lakin township approved.

Report of E. S. Brodie register of

deeds, of fees received during quarter received, approved and placed on file.

The county attorney was instructed to have execution issue and make collection on judgment against D. R. Jones and bondsman, and that attorneys Nimocks and Hotchkiss proceed to collect and pay over amount of judgment against L. M. Krause and others.

Geo. W. Thatcher and M. M. Meek were appointed to assist in destroying official ballots.

The board then adjourned to meet Jan. 7, 1899.

Jan. 7, 1899—No quorum appearing, board adjourned to meet Jan. 9, 1899.

Jan. 9, 1899—Board met pursuant to adjournment, all members present.

Ordered that Logan township creamery be allowed a refund on \$200 valuation, tax of 1898, account of erroneous assessment.

Pritchard & Sons allowed a rebate on \$50 valuation, Great Bend township, tax of 1898, account of erroneous assessment.

Official bonds of C. W. Linder clerk and D. O. Gray, jr., constable, of Homestead township, approved.

The board made a visit to the county jail as required by law.

County warrants No's. 2847 and 2854, having remained unpaid for three years, were destroyed.

Official bond of Jacob Damm, treasurer of Liberty township, approved.

These minutes, having been read by the clerk, were approved by the board.

BILLS ALLOWED:

Joe Sprinker, work on bridge ..... \$ 25  
W. E. Stokes, printing ..... 34 62  
Grimes Bros., electric lights ..... 4 50  
L. C. Breeden, fees account probatory law ..... 48 75  
S. A. Newcombe, salary surveyor ..... 60 40  
Dr. Lightfoot, health officer ..... 25 00  
F. Schlottemeyer, bridge work ..... 1 50  
P. B. Knappeler, burial of pauper ..... 12 00  
Dr. Atkins, al. co. physician, 3d district ..... 12 50  
F. M. Chapman, ass't examiner ..... 9 00  
J. W. Dawson, care of Newman ..... 8 00  
J. W. Ainslie, care of Newman ..... 8 00  
W. H. Spencer, care of Newman ..... 6 00  
A. H. Clancy, repair of bridge ..... 75  
J. L. Roberts, boarding jury ..... 3 25  
Theo. Griffith, miller poor ..... 31 30  
Dugan & Co., miller poor ..... 8 00  
Mrs. J. Truett, house for Mrs. Seimans ..... 16 00  
J. W. Jacks, work on bridge ..... 1 50  
H. B. Myers, 4th Dist. pauper ..... 4 00  
Jude Goodale, care of Geo. Goodale ..... 20 00  
T. Ward, care of pauper ..... 40 00  
Gunnell & Moore, house rent for Mrs. Smith ..... 7 50  
Dr. Shaw, sal. health officer ..... 15 00  
Dugan & Co., miller poor ..... 11 00  
D. C. Fitts, treasurer salary ..... 600 00  
C. F. Dillenbacher, att'y salary ..... 240 00  
D. C. Fitts, printing ..... 14 60  
P. B. Knappeler, junior work ..... 9 00  
L. P. Aber, fees, probate court ..... 9 00  
Hudsonian News Co., blank books and supplies ..... 164 50  
C. W. Ward, care of pauper ..... 35 00  
O. W. Dawson, Kelly case transcript ..... 6 75  
Mary Rogers, burial of B. Rogers ..... 40 00  
L. P. Aber, commitment and board of prisoners ..... 332 15  
Great Bend P. Co., coal ..... 228 00  
M. L. Harrison, county supt., salary ..... 235 25  
M. B. Fitts, salary as county clerk ..... 375 00  
Coroner's Inquest, on the body of Joseph Lowman ..... 1 00  
S. J. Shaw, coroner ..... 6 00  
G. N. Moses, juror ..... 1 00  
A. H. Fitts, do ..... 1 00  
O. A. Hooper, do ..... 1 00  
A. Laidlaw, do ..... 1 00  
J. H. Griffith, do ..... 1 00  
J. A. Duncan, do ..... 1 00  
J. J. Winterburg, witness ..... 1 00  
S. M. Buckles, do ..... 1 00  
Frank Bailey, do ..... 1 00  
Mrs. Robert Bailey, do ..... 1 00  
Lunacy case of William Newman ..... 15 15  
L. C. Breeden, probate judge ..... 2 00  
A. H. Fitts, juror ..... 2 00  
A. Laidlaw, do ..... 2 00  
D. L. Whitcomb, do ..... 2 00  
D. B. Brungler, do ..... 2 00  
P. P. Enclum, do ..... 2 00  
Frank Patterson, do ..... 2 00  
S. J. Shaw, witness ..... 1 50  
E. E. Morrison, do ..... 1 50  
Miles Newman, do ..... 1 50  
Foster Price, do ..... 1 50  
Foster Jordan, do ..... 1 50  
Fred B. Newcombe, do ..... 1 50  
John W. Dawson, do ..... 1 50  
D. C. Luse, do ..... 1 50  
State vs Joseph Murray and William McLean ..... 2 57  
A. H. Jensen, J. P. ..... 2 57  
S. Bush, deputy sheriff ..... 6 75  
J. H. Jensen, J. P. ..... 9 35  
J. W. Dawson, constable ..... 8 50  
F. W. Webb, witness ..... 50  
J. B. Chapman, do ..... 50  
R. A. Ewalt, do ..... 50  
Thos. Gilmore, do ..... 50  
P. L. Gunn, do ..... 50  
W. B. King, do ..... 50  
State vs Warren Houck ..... 8 25  
J. H. Jensen, J. P. ..... 7 10  
Geo. Y. Burdett, witness ..... 75  
W. V. Atkinson, do ..... 75  
W. T. Watson, do ..... 75  
State vs Richard Lee ..... 2 40  
John Stewart, constable ..... 6 60  
Red, witness ..... 85  
Ed Brown, do ..... 85  
Ira Jarman, do ..... 85  
State vs John Doe ..... 1 30  
J. H. Jensen, J. P. ..... 1 30  
General Fee Bill, November term of District Court ..... 35 60  
F. G. Strothman, clerk ..... 119 97  
State vs Frank Buchanan ..... 9 90  
F. G. Strothman clerk Dist. Court ..... 11 44  
L. P. Aber, sheriff ..... 2 50  
R. Backenbush, do ..... 2 50  
Will Hermon, do ..... 2 50  
Henry Borne, do ..... 2 50  
B. F. Ogle, J. P. ..... 4 68  
State vs Henry Feale ..... 14 50  
F. G. Strothman, clerk ..... 9 43  
W. H. McIntire, witness, J. P. court ..... 75  
Geo. Giesick, do ..... 50  
W. H. McIntire, do ..... 50  
B. F. Ogle, J. P. ..... 4 19  
J. W. Dawson, constable ..... 5 55  
State vs D. Hamilton ..... 6 50  
F. G. Strothman, clerk ..... 9 18  
L. P. Aber, sheriff ..... 2 75  
G. B. Ochs, witness ..... 2 75  
C. J. Kreisel, do ..... 2 75  
David Goosey, do ..... 2 75  
Jacob Reeder, do ..... 2 75  
B. F. Ogle, J. P. ..... 4 67  
State vs Lew N. Kelly ..... 30 30  
F. G. Strothman, clerk ..... 35 34  
G. W. Elgin, do ..... 4 96  
B. F. Ogle, J. P. ..... 6 25  
Ed Gray, constable ..... 2 50  
D. O. Gray, witness district court ..... 2 50  
Geo. Scroggin, do ..... 2 50  
Henry Hull, do ..... 2 50  
L. R. Crawford, do ..... 2 50  
D. Stibler, do ..... 2 50  
S. L. Boxwell, do ..... 2 50

J. B. Pross, do ..... 8 60  
Simon Bush, do ..... 8 60  
S. J. Shaw, do ..... 1 50  
J. J. Wilson, do ..... 8 50  
J. Kreisher, do ..... 8 50  
C. Walton, do ..... 14 00  
G. L. Koch, do ..... 4 10  
E. E. Baker, witness J. P. court ..... 19 75  
L. P. Aber, do ..... 75  
Ed Childs, do ..... 1 75  
Sam Boxwell, do ..... 2 75  
Simon Bush, do ..... 1 75  
John J. Wilson, do ..... 1 75  
J. B. Carey, do ..... 16 75  
E. Briggs, do ..... 1 75  
J. E. Moore, do ..... 1 75  
Milton Brown, do ..... 3 85  
J. C. Chaffee, do ..... 1 75  
J. E. Moore, care of pauper ..... 8 00  
City of Great Bend, sundry items ..... 2 83  
A. C. Fair & Bro., lime for jail ..... 1 35  
L. C. Breeden, examining Co. Treasury ..... 3 00  
D. Hugh Halladay, do ..... 2 00  
Frank Kappel, do ..... 2 00  
G. N. F. & Moses, mde for county ..... 50  
Albert Stevenson, ass't to Theo. Griffith ..... 4 50  
L. P. Aber, sheriff, coroner's inquest, on body of Lowman ..... 1 75  
Allison Bros., coal for poor ..... 1 75  
W. M. McClintock, care of Mrs. Jettie ..... 1 75  
G. W. Thatcher, destroying old ballots ..... 1 50  
M. M. Meek, do ..... 1 50  
J. P. Aber, taking Newman to Asylum ..... 67 75  
L. P. Aber, taking Mrs. Jarmer to Asylum ..... 8 00  
L. E. Baker, witness case of State vs Kelley ..... 5 00  
J. C. Bailey, coal for poor ..... 3 00  
Jurors, November term of District Court ..... 18 55  
Frank Fruhl, do ..... 20 30  
C. E. Schaub, do ..... 2 85  
J. W. Hamilton, do ..... 2 85  
M. W. Coburn, do ..... 30 53  
N. Majors, do ..... 30 53  
P. Avery, do ..... 30 53  
Henry Bader, do ..... 8 00  
Aug. Sch. spol., do ..... 30 00  
Thomas F. Edgar, do ..... 30 00  
John Lindsay, do ..... 30 00  
M. N. Toward, do ..... 30 00  
James Cook, do ..... 19 20  
Geo. Bader, do ..... 19 20  
A. L. Langford, do ..... 18 80  
E. H. Hickey, do ..... 19 10  
O. A. Brown, do ..... 19 10  
P. A. Appel, do ..... 19 00  
G. Filler, do ..... 11 00  
Henry Borne, do ..... 30 50  
Chas. McLean, do ..... 19 10  
John Doherty, do ..... 8 00  
S. J. Williams, do ..... 3 40  
A. Foster, do ..... 3 40  
H. Bowman, do ..... 3 40  
John J. Smith, do ..... 3 10  
J. P. Wedel, do ..... 3 40  
J. C. Rieder, do ..... 3 40  
C. E. Burton, do ..... 3 10  
W. J. Boney, do ..... 3 30  
P. Bloom, do ..... 3 30  
C. Ross, do ..... 3 30  
M. Miller, do ..... 3 30  
John Bauer, do ..... 3 30  
F. T. Belt, do ..... 3 50  
Geo. Gano, do ..... 3 10  
Nicholas Hart, do ..... 3 10  
W. M. Cleveland, do ..... 3 40  
W. P. Rhoads, do ..... 3 40  
Wm. Gaglian, do ..... 3 40  
D. G. Bird, do ..... 11 30  
A. B. Lytle, do ..... 11 10  
John Muller, do ..... 11 40  
John Jurgensen, do ..... 12 00  
E. Beaman, do ..... 2 00  
J. E. Patterson, do ..... 2 00  
J. C. Gould, do ..... 2 00  
J. E. DeMotte, do ..... 6 00  
J. W. Delaplane, do ..... 6 00  
Jacob Lediger, do ..... 6 00  
S. J. Williams, do ..... 7 00  
Mat Dick, services as county commissioner and jury team ..... 35 00  
Thos. Griffith, services as county commissioner, sloner ..... 33 00  
B. Martin, services as county commissioner, sloner ..... 35 00  
L. P. Aber, attending commissioners meetings ..... 15 00

On motion the board adjourned.

M. B. Fitts, Co. Clerk.

NEW BOARD.

State of Kansas }

Barton County, } ss.

Office of Clerk, Jan. 9, 1899.

Board of Commissioners of Barton

County met at above date. Jacob

Zimmer, commissioner elect being

present took his place on the board.

Commissioner Mat Dick was elected

chairman.

Co. Supt. appointed Miss Nellie Rob-

inson and Mario C. Chapman members

of county examining board for 1899,

and appointment approved by the

board.

Bill of G. N. Moses, Mayor of Great

Bend, for expenses sending pauper to

Kansas City, \$18.00, allowed.

Bids for supply of county coal being

opened, the Barton County Coal &

Fuel Co., A. J. Buckland manager, was

awarded the contract for the ensuing

year, their bid being for No. 1 Canon

City lump \$4 per ton—all coal to be

weighed on G. N. & E. R. Moses'

scales. Coal for court house to be de-

livered in not less than half car lots,

and all loads to be received and checked

by sheriff. Coal for poor to be de-

livered in half ton lots as ordered.

Board then adjourned to meet the

1st Monday in March.

M. B. Fitts, Co. Clerk.

Would Out Her Throat.

Saturday a man named Tubbs, who

last summer married Mrs. Carrie

Keizer, got into a family squabble with

his wife. He finally caught her by the

hands and held her with one hand, while

he drew a razor with the other and

threatened to kill her and himself be-

fore he would let her leave him, as she

had declared she would do. The woman

saw he was in earnest, and promised

all kind of things if he would spare her

life. He eventually released her. She

got her child and leaving the house

came up town and swore out a warrant

for his arrest. He shortly came up

town, and when told the sheriff was

looking for him, went to the court house

and gave himself up. He took from his

pocket a razor and a knife and

handed them over, saying "you had

better take care of these."

Later he was arraigned in the jus-

tice's court and bound over to the next

term of the district court, his bonds

being fixed at \$2,500, which he could

not give.

It is said the man is "off his bal-

lance," and his actions since coming

to Great Bend would indicate as much.

Parties who knew him in El Dorado say

he was always considered a little off in

the upper story.

## MRS. MARY CLAYTON, DECEASED.

Quietly, and without a struggle, sitting in her chair by the home fireside, conscious of a long life of motherly and wifely duty, well performed, and having an abiding faith in the gracious, saving blood of Jesus, Mrs. Mary Clayton, wife of Judge Joshua Clayton of this city passed from earthly scenes to the peaceful rest beyond the clouds, at 3 a. m., Saturday, January 7th, 1899, at the age of 73 years, 11 months and 9 days.

She had been in feeble health for some time, but would not give up to be confined to a bed. Only Friday afternoon she was about the small household duties. Often when remonstrated with for keeping at work replied that "when she could no longer look after her household duties she was ready to die." Rest came all too soon. She was troubled with a bad cough and difficulty of breathing and could not rest lying down. So, on Friday evening her son Tom fixed her in an easy chair by the fire for the night before leaving her. Her son, James, who arrived from Topeka Wednesday evening was sitting up in the room, he and Tom not feeling that she should be left without watchers. Upon going to his mother's side about three a. m., he found the body cold in death—the spirit and the flesh having parted company without a sign or a sigh—and the beloved mother was no more.

Mrs. Clayton was among the oldest residents of Great Bend. She was born in England, and was there married to Joshua Clayton, who survives her. She leaves two sons, James, who will next week take up his duties as second assistant attorney general; and Thomas a member of our city council. One son, the oldest, was offered up in his country's defense during the civil war.

Funeral services were conducted at the M. E. church at 2:30 Sunday afternoon.

Where are You At?

Our neighbor of the Beacon, in a column editorial last week, patted himself on the back and congratulated himself again over his success at closing(?) the joints and incidentally shutting off the street lights, firing the guardian of the night and stirring up contention generally. He says his system is working splendidly; that there are only two saloons running, but they won't sell him or his marshal any more goods—(therefore they are pretty good fellows.)

Now let us see where he is at: Did he not promise the city authorities that if they would refuse to accept fines from the jointists he would close such places inside of 30 days? And did he not say that it was the wish of the saloon men that the city receive no more in revenue on fines, and that if the city council would take that stand the men would quit business?

Now, what of these promises have been kept? He acknowledges that there are "two" of friends who went back on him, and continue to do business at the old stand; while everybody else knows that there are today more men selling liquors in defiance of the obnoxious law than there were before the Armstrong blight struck the city; that in the first place the saloon men

did not agree to close up at his request; and that the business, instead of being stopped is on the increase every day, as shown by the increased number of drunk men on the streets.

We want to know where the Deacon "is at?" Where has the city gained by his interference in public affairs? Where has any individual gained, excepting in the cases of the saloon men, who now pocket all their profits instead of paying a part of them into the general funds of the city in the shape of fines?

Logic in Phyme.

Just a little dollar on its mission sent, makes a lot of people happy each time the coin is spent. You pay it to the butcher for meat to give you strength, he pays it to the grocer from whom it goes at length, some pretty bit of cloth or lace his better half to buy, or helps to get her summer hat to make her rival shine. The dry goods man sends on the coin to pay his market bill, and though the coin is often spent it always stays a dollar still, and every time 'tis spent at home, some act of good is done in booming local industries ere the setting of the sun. But if you take that shining coin and break the local chain, the

chances are that from afar 'twill not return again. If once it passes out of town, the butcher and the baker, the grocer and the dry goods man, the cook, the undertaker, the carpenter, the carriage-wright, the blacksmith, everyone, will lose the chance to touch the coin ere the setting of the sun. Just keep the little coin at home, just keep it moving well, and every time it changes hands somebody's goods 'twill sell. That single little dollar has thus a wondrous power to make somebody better a dozen times an hour. It pays the bill and wards off ill, and ne'er its power relaxes, to sooth the doctor, buy the coal, and pay for bread and taxes.

The other day an Alabama mob lynched the wrong man and they "deeply regret it," says the New Orleans States. They might do as a Texas mob once did. They hanged a man for stealing a mustang and shortly afterward learned that he was innocent. After debating the question they decided that the captain should call on the widow and apologize. Riding up to the fence he called her to the door and explained the mistake that had been made, closing thus: "Madam, the joke's on us."

Our friend Deacon of the Beacon does not yet appear to weaken, on his crazy agitation about joints, joints, joints. He says he's got 'em going, without the jointists knowing that he's adding to his evidence more points, points points. But the Deacon was "surprised" when he was recently advised that his marshal did not trot the streets all night, night, night. He suspected that, accordin' to the law, bold Marshal Jordan was ever omnipresent—never out of sight, sight.

An exchange says that alcohol will remove grass stains from summer clothes. The exchange is right. I will also remove the summer clothes and also the spring, autumn and winter clothes, not only from the man who drinks it, but also from his wife and family. It will remove the furniture from the house and the stables from the pantry, the smiles from the face of his wife and the happiness from the home. As a remover of things, alcohol has few equals.

The police judge thinks the new arrangement of city affairs has taken on a little more authority than the law allows. Recently the Marshal has made a number of arrests of plain drunks, has thrown the victims into jail and thrown them out again without the formality of a trial in accordance with law. Will Bro. Armstrong please see that the laws governing such matters are enforced.

"Who weeps with you when you are sad, and laughs with you when you are glad, and swears with you when you are mad? The editor. Who has to be both kind and wise, and never (hardly ever) lies and when he does creates surprise? The editor. Who owns a heart as well as cheek, is possessed of spirit proud but meek, and lives on 40 cents a week? The editor.

The DEMOCRAT has received a copy of a very neat souvenir advertising pamphlet, issued by the large hardware, implement and furniture firm of G. N. & E. R. Moses. The pamphlet is unquestionably the neatest thing of the kind ever placed with the public, contains much valuable information and many handsome illustrations.

Open house every day now at the DEMOCRAT office, to those who desire to join the crowd and get on our subscription list, or who wish to pay back subscriptions. Hours: Any old time. The best of feeling will prevail, and the music—the musical ring of the dollar as it clinks upon our table will sweet sounds for all.

Grimes Bros. have swung a couple of arc lights upon the streets, as a sample of the lights the city will get when it has again got down to a logical, practical method of doing things. With half the number of these arc lights that the city used to have of the incandescents the streets can be much better lighted.

Robert Merten, who has filled the vacancy on the board of county commissioners caused by the death of Henry Merhoff, retires from the board with the good will of his brother members, and is entitled to the thanks of the public he has served for being an efficient, careful pains-taking commissioner.

J. P. Webber was in town Monday, making arrangements for a sale of stock and farm implements, to take place at his farm 3 miles north of Ellinwood on Monday, Jan. 23d. Joe Sprinker will be the auctioneer.

The date of sale of stock and farm implements at the place of Henry Miller, 2 miles northwest of Otis, which was to have been held Friday Jan. 13th has been changed to WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18TH. Please take notice of the change of date.

The 23d. annual meeting of State Historical Society will be held at Topeka, Tuesday Jan. 17th. An interesting program has been prepared. The business meeting will be in the rooms of the Society at 2 p. m. and in Representative Hall at 7 p. m.

Cornelius Unruh, Henry Base and Tabias Kohn of near Marion Junction, South Dakota, were here the past week visiting friends and relatives in the west part of the county. They returned home Monday of this week.

"Dan, dear," said the Deacon's wife, "how do you suppose those two dozen empty beer bottles got into our cellar?" "Really," replied the Deacon, "I don't know; for I never bought an empty bottle in my life."

The Holsington Dispatch has increased in size, it now being an eight page, five column paper. Editor Clark is to be congratulated upon the improvement in his paper.

Don't worry about the "quiet times in business," Mr. Merchant. Write up a lively, catchy ad. and bring it to this office and see how it will live up your